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FOR ANDERSON AND MCCLOSKEY FROM S/PRS

1. KALB (CBS RADIO), FIRST LINE REPORT FROM LONDON, JULY
9: "THE SECRETARY OF STATE RETURNS TO BAVARIA, GERMANY
AND THERE ARE ECHOES OF THE PAST.

WHEN HENRY KISSINGER LEFT BAVARIA, IN GERMANY, HE WAS 15
YEARS OLD, IMPRESSIONABLE, BRIGHT AND A JEW. THE NAZIS
HAD BEEN IN CONTROL OF BAVARIA FOR EIGHT YEARS BY
THAT TIME, -- IT WAS 1938 -- IN CONTROL OF ALL OF GERMANY
SINCE 1934. OVER THOSE YEARS KISSINGER LEARNED A LOT
ABOUT THE NAZIS, THOSE WHO GOOSE-STEP THEIR WAY THROUGH
THE STREETS OF HIS HOMETOWN, ABOUT 100 MILES FROM MUNICH,
THOSE WHO TOOK A POSITIVE DELIGHT IN BEATING UP YOUNG
JEWISH STUDENTS, THOSE WHO EXPELLED JEWS FROM PUBLIC
SCHOOLS AND SENT THEM TO ALL JEWISH SCHOOLS, THOSE WHO
CLOSED DOWN JEWISH SHOPS OR EXPELLED JEWS FROM POSITIONS
OF AUTHORITY. KISSINGER'S FATHER LOST HIS JOB. THE BOYS
HENRY AND HIS BROTHER WALTER USED TO PLAY A GOOD DEAL OF
SOCCER, THEN THERE WERE FEWER SOCCER GAMES AND THEN THERE
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WERE NONE. A MONTH OR SO BEFORE THE INFAMOUS KRISTAL

KNOCK WHEN THE GESTAPO WENT ON AN ANTI-JEWISH RAMPAGE
THROUGHOUT GERMANY, THE KISSINGERS MANAGED TO ESCAPE TO

ENGLAND, AND A MONTH OR SO LATER TO THE UNITED STATES.
THEY THEN SETTLED INTO THE MIDDLE CLASS NEIGHBORHOOD OF
WASHINGTON HTS., IN MANHATTAN WHERE KISSINGER WENT TO
SCHOOL, GRADUATING WITH DISTINCTION. SIX YEARS LATER
KISSINGER RETURNED TO GERMANY, A MEMBER OF A CONQUERING
AMERICAN ARMY. HE SHOWS NO REVENGE ONLY GREAT ADMINIS-
TRATIVE ABILITY. HE THEN RETURNED TO THE UNITED STATES,
TO HARVARD WHERE HE WON THREE DEGREES, A BA, AN MA AND
A PHD. HE ROSE THROUGH THE RANKS OF HARVARD, WROTE
BOOKS AND ARTICLES, BECAME ONE OF AMERICAN'S TOP
ACADEMIC SPECIALISTS ON EUROPEAN-AMERICAN RELATIONS, ALSO
NUCLEAR PROBLEMS. IN 1969 HE MOVED INTO THE WHITE HOUSE
AS PRESIDENT NIXON'S ADVISOR ON NATIONAL SECURITY AFFAIRS.
IN SEPTEMBER OF 1973 HE BECAME SECRETARY OF STATE ON THE
RETIREMENT OF WILLIAM P. ROGERS, AND THIS LAST WEEK-
END HE RETURNED TO BARVARIA, TO MUNICH AND IT WAS A
VERY IRONIC STORY. THERE WAS KISSINGER AND THERE WERE ALL
THE GERMANS EACH OF THEM TRYING HIS BEST TO BE NICE TO
THIS SECRETARY OF STATE. EVERY ONE OF THEM KNEW THAT
KISSINGER WOULD NEVER HAVE LEFT GERMANY IF IT HAD NOT
BEEN FOR THE NAZIS. AND SO THE GERMANS BOWED AND THEY
EXTENDED EVERY COURTESY AS THOUGH THEIR HOSPITALITY COULD
SOME HOW ERASE THEIR UNEASINESS AND HIS ABOUT THE PAST,
ABOUT SIX MILLION JEUS MURDERED BY THE NAZIS. MORE
THAN A DOZEN OF KISSINGER'S OWN RELATIVES WERE KILLED IN
CONCENTRATION CAMPS. DACHAU IS ONE OF THOSE CAMPS, IT
IS ALMOST 10 MILES FROM MUNICH WHERE KISSINGER STAYED.
THE SECRETARY DID NOT VISIT DACHAU. IF HE HAD GONE FROM
HIS HOTEL TO THE AIRPORT BY CAR RATHER THAN BY
HELICOPTER HE WOULD HAVE SEEN THE SIGN 'DACHAU' BIG
AND BLACK. IN MUNICH ITSELF THERE IS THE HOFBRAU HOUSE
WHERE HITLER IN 1923 TRIED TO STAGE HIS PUTSCH, HIS COUP.
HE FAILED THEN, HE SUCCEEDED ALL OVER GERMANY 10
YEARS LATER. ON SUNDAY NIGHT THE HOFBRAU HOUSE WAS
CROWDED WITH DRUNKEN EXUBERANT, UNCONTROLLABLE GERMANS,
SCREAMING AND SINGING DEUTSCHELAND, DEUTSCHELAND. THEY
STOMPED ON THE TABLES AND THREW BEER MUGS ACROSS THE
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LARGE BEER HALL. IT TOOK NO GREAT IMAGINATION TO
IMAGINE WHAT THE BEER HALL WAS LIKE 50 YEARS AGO WHEN
HITLER SCREAMED DEUTSCHELAND, DEUTSCHELAND AND EVERYONE
RESPONDED WILY AND BLINDLY. KISSINGER SAW NONE XF THIS
BUT HE MUST HAVE FELT SOME OF THOSE VIBRATIONS. "

2. KALB (CBS RADIO), MADRID: "THE NEWS OF FRANCO'S
ILLNESS BROKE MOMENTS AFTER KISSINGER'S ARRIVAL. THERE

WERE NO PLANS FOR A FRANCO-KISSINGER MEETING IN ANY CASE.
THE SPANISH LEADER REPORTEDLY UNHAPPY OVER THE FACT THAT

PRESIDENT NIXON DID NOT STOP HERE AFTER HIS MOSCOW SUMMIT.
KISSINGER QUICKLY ISSUED A BRIEF STATEMENT OF REGRET.
THE SECRETARY IS HERE TO SIGN A DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES
BETWEEN SPAIN AND THE UNITED STATES ,A QUICK FOLLOW-UP
TO A SIMILAR DECLARATION THAT ALL NATO MEMBERS SIGNED IN
BRUSSELS TWO WEEKS AGO. SPAIN IS NOT A MEMBER OF NATO
AND THE U.S. HAS ALWAYS ATTEMPTED TO BRING SPAIN INTO
EUROPEAN AND ATLANTIC RELATIONSHIPS AT LEAST RHETORICALLY.
BESIDES, IN THIS CASE, THE SIGNING TODAY WILL ASSURE HIM
QUICK NEGOTIATIONS BETWEEN THE U.S. AND SPAIN ABOUT THEIR
MILITARY BASE AGREEMENT. THE U.S. HAS BEEN MAINTAINING
TWO AIR BASES AND ONE SUBMARINE BASE IN SPAIN FOR MANY
YEARS. THE NEW AGREEMENT PROBABLY TO RUN FOR ANOTHER
FIVE YEARS. KISSINGER LEAVES FOR WASHINGTON TONIGHT
RESIGNED TO APPEARING TOMORROW MORNING AS A
WITNESS IN THE EHRLICHMAN PLUMBER'S TRIAL. " SISCO

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